

Vermontville Village
Council Meeting Minutes
Village Office, June 13, 2013

- I. Call to Order 7 p.m.
- II. Roll Call: Councilwomen Hosey and Villanueva-present, Councilmen Patrick and Sheridan- present, President Wineman- present. Councilmen Viele and Jorgensen absent.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Auditor's Report from Kathy Sheldon, CPA , of Walker, Fluke and Sheldon of Hastings.
 - a) Clean audit. Money well spent on cleaning up from last year. 150% better from last time Walker, Fluke and Sheldon audited.
 - b) Municipal Street fund will need to be decided on what type of fund it will be and how it will be used- not clear.
 - c) Councilwoman Villanueva made a motion to approve the 2012 audit as presented. Councilwoman Hosey seconded. All ayes. Motion passed.
- V. Public Comments
 - a) Doug Kelsey is working on the "Save the Curtain" fund raiser. June 29 a 90 minute presentation will be done at the Opera House by Dave Ehlert at 7 p.m. He will be portraying Abe Lincoln and Mark Twain. Tickets are on sale for \$10/person through Independent Bank and the Township Office.
 - b) Nichole Hansen and her husband are purchasing 600 Elm St. They need permission from the council in writing that they can use the right-of-way to put in a road access. A motion was made by Councilman Patrick to give them permission to use the right-of-way to build a road to their property using the Eaton County specifications. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sheridan. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion passed.
- VI. Consent agenda items

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER ITEM 5, CONSENT AGENDA, ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE VILAGE COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED BELOW. THERE WILL NOT BE SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE

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ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

Councilman Sheridan made a motion to accept the consent agenda items.
Councilwoman Hosey seconded. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion passed.

A. Minutes- Regular Mtg, May, plus committees

B. Treasurer's report for May 2013

C. Bills for approval through May/June

VII. Reports from Council Committees

a) Insurance/Legal/Finance

b) Water/Sewer

- Special Mtg held on May 28, 2013 with Dave Hadlock from Paradigm. Mr. Hadlock is looking into more grants for the village. There is a water tower grant the village may be eligible for.

c) Grants

d) Ordinance

- Most of the previous ordinance violations have been cleaned up. Councilman Sheridan and Councilwoman Villanueva will be going out on Sunday, the 16th of June, to take more pictures.

e) Street Drains and Sidewalks

f) Fire

g) Buildings & Grounds

h) Technology

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- Due to power losses at the Village Office, another battery backup may be needed. Will look into costs and bring back to Council.

i) Health & Safety

j) Personnel

- Job description for treasurer is complete. Five people have expressed interest so far since February in the treasurer position.

VIII. DPW Report

- Council was thanked for their support while Monte O'Dell was off work.
- Overall 6 month budget is looking good.
- Engineers are looking at more grants for the Village.

IX. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards

- Working with Scooter store on special land use permit.
- Meeting scheduled for ZBA on the 24th for a zoning variance.
- Want to help businesses by changing things to make it easier for businesses in Vermontville

X. President Report

XI. Old Business

a) Meet and Greet clarification

- It will be on Saturday, July 13, 2013 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Village park. Councilwoman Hosey volunteered to head up the project. Councilman Patrick and DPW supervisor Monte O'Dell volunteered to cook.

b) Tax printing quotes

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- Received 2 tax printing quotes- within 50 cents of each other.
- Because rules have changed on how the tax bills must be done, Laurie Tamez will work with BS&A and print them out.

XII. New Business

a) Recommendation to approve job description for treasurer

- Councilman Sheridan made a motion to approve the job description as presented by the personnel committee. Councilwoman Hosey seconded. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion passed.

b) Recommendation for posting for treasurer

- Councilman Sheridan made a motion to approve the posting for the treasurer position for 4 weeks, posting to begin June 17, 2013. Councilwoman Hosey seconded. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion passed.

c) Recommendation to approve Terry Samann's vacation

- Motion to approve Terry's vacation made by Councilwoman Villanueva. Seconded by Councilwoman Hosey. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion passed.

XVI. Public Comment

a) Resident Theresa O'Dell asked that funding begin for repairs/replacement of Spring Street.

b) Four of the Vermontville Boy Scouts attended the meeting for the purpose of meeting a requirement for the Citizenship in the Community badge.

XVII. Adjournment

a) Councilman Sheridan made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Villanueva. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Laseur

Clerk

Village of Vermontville